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Place of birth: Israel Date of birth: Nov. 15, 1948

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.2 Rank: Full Tenured Professor Position: 100%

.3	<u>Education</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Year</u>
	B.A. (cum laude)	Tel Aviv	Arabic Language and literature	1973
	M.A. (summa cum laude) Tel Aviv Middle East and Africa			1992
	Ph.D.	Tel Aviv	Middle East and Africa	1997

.4 Subject of Master's thesis: "War and Peace in Sudan – The Struggle of the State and Society over their Identity (1956-1972)"; Supervisor: Prof. Mordechai Tamarkin

Subject of Ph.D. dissertation: "Sudan between North and South: 1972-1989: The Collapse of the Peace Agreement and Renewal of Civil War", Prof. Mordechai Tamarkin

.5 <u>Previous ranks in Bar-Ilan University</u>

Date rank received	Position Rate	<u>Rank</u>
Oct. 1, 1998	50%	Lecturer
Oct. 1, 2003	50%	Senior Lecturer
Oct. 1, 2007	50%	Associate Professor

Oct. 1, 2011 100% Associate Professor

- 6. Current job in the academy: Political Science, Full Professor, Full time Equivalent 100%
- 7. Other places of employment in the past: Tel Aviv University
- 8. Supervision of Students for advanced academic degrees:

A. M.A. Students

Student's	Subject
<u>name</u>	
Yuval Aviad	"American Foreign Policy: Communications as an
	Arena for Conflict Resolution in the Middle East".
Simha Moshe	"The Challenges of Israeli Intelligence in Limited
	Conflict: Israel versus Hezbollah, 2000-2006".
Nir Levitan	"The Role of the Mediator in Managing the
	Negotiations of Existing Conflicts: United States in
	Settlement Talks between Israel and Egypt (1973-
	1975)," I jointly supervised with Prof. Rami Ginat;
	graduated summa cum laude and received the
	President's Grant
	name Yuval Aviad Simha Moshe

2011 Netta Magen "The Impact of Islamist Terrorism on US-Afghanistan Relations,"

2012 Dov Moskovitsh "Attitudes among Ethno-Political Leadership in Foreign and Domestic Crises: Arab Knesset Members in Israel, 1982-2007." (Proposal approved in 2012. (Received the Rector Prize for excellence in 2013).

2012 Miriam Zilbershtein "Vision Versus Reality: Education and Employment among Women in the Maghreb" (Proposal approved in 2012).

2016 Yasmin Eliaz "The Wave of Foreign Military Invasions of Afghanistan in a Comparative Perspective: Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States"

2014 Ron Zehavi "Al-Qaeda-affiliated Online Media and its Jihadist Propaganda (*Dawa*): Strategies and Tactics in operating Terror in Britain and the US" (Proposal approved in 2014).

2017 Einat Jaen "The 'New' Islamist Threats and Challenges in the Middle East: The Political and Ideological Aggrandizement of ISIS"

- 2016 Einav Nicollete, "Women's Involvement in Political Struggles: The Test Case of the 'Arab Spring' Upheaval in Egypt".
- 2017 Hen Rotman "The Effects of Egypt's Economy on its Politics: Mubarak's Era" (Research Proposal presently drafted, 2016).

B. Names of Ph.D. students

Completed their Ph.D. dissertation:

- 2013 Limor Lavie "The Egyptian Politics: Post "Arab Spring" Domestic Affairs" (Veada Melava, the Hebrew University, Jerusalem).
- 2014 David Elias "The Parliamentary Activity in Kuwait: Challenges and Threats to the Political and Tribal System, 1921-1992."

Currently Ph.D student being supervised:

2016 Rifat Suweidan, "Voluntary National Service of Arab women: Motives, Characteristics and Positions" (Research proposal presently refereed).

9. Grants and Prizes:

- 1992 M.A. Magna Cum Laude Prize, Tel Aviv University
- 1994 Mifal Hapayis, Landau Prize for Research on the Middle East
- 1996 The B. Lewis Prize for Research, Tel Aviv University
- 1998 The School of Middle Eastern and African History Award, Tel Aviv University
- 2000 "Yad Vashem Prize" for Literature for the novel *Carob Whiskey* (Tel Aviv: Am Oved, 1999)
- 2001 The "AQ'UM Golden Feather prize" (in the memory of Aharon Ashman) for "Outstanding Achievement in Hebrew Literature" for the novel *Carob Whiskey*
- 2006 My grant proposal "From Conflict to Reconciliation: The Diplomatic Management of US-Libya Relations and its Implication for the Politics of the Middle East" was nominated as <u>first runner-up</u>; (Grade: Very Good) by the Institute for Diplomacy and Regional Cooperation at Tel Aviv University headed by Ambassador Prof. Shimon Shamir
- 2008 The British Academy's <u>Alfa-rated rank</u> status for the research proposal "War in Post-Colonial Sudan: Prospects for Conflict Resolution in Darfur"

- 2010 Awarded Excellence in Teaching by the Political Science Department at Bar- Ilan University
- 2011 A Special Letter of Commendation sent by the President of the University, Professor Moshe Kaveh, for Commentary on the Middle East in the "New World Order" in the Israeli and the international media, thus "enriching the reputation of the university in general and of the political studies department in particular"
- 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, A letter of commendation for excellence in teaching sent by the then Vice Rector Prof. Miriam Faust and the current Vice Rector, Prof. Amnon Albeck
- 2015 A special Letter of Commendation for a particularly intensive representation of Bar-Ilan University in the Israeli and the international media, sent by the Spokesman Haim Zisovitch

10. Research grants

- The Dahan Research Grant, "Libyan Jewry's Influence on the State's Position visà-vis Israel (1951-2003), "Dahan Center, Bar-Ilan University (2000\$)
- The Dahan Research Grant, "Changing Perspectives on the Arab-Israeli Conflict," Dahan Center, Bar-Ilan University (2000\$)
- 2008 The Ihel Grant, "The Iranian Nuclear Threat: Lessons from Libya's Renunciation of Nuclear Weapons," (21,600 Shekels)
- 2009 The Rector's Grant, Bar-Ilan University, for the **Alpha-rated** ranked proposal entitled "War in Post-Colonial Sudan: Prospects for Conflict Resolution in Darfur" by the British Academy (10,000 Shekels)
- 2011 The Ihel Foundation, Bar-Ilan University, "The Map of Challenges and Threats to the Security of the State of Israel: On the Verge of a 'New Order' in the Middle East" (32,000 Shekels)
- 2014 The Ihel Foundation, Bar-Ilan University, "The Smuggling of Conventional Arms and the Threat of Chemical Weapons Spill Over from Collapsed regimes to Islamist/Jihadist Organizations" (30,000 Shekels)
- 2015 The Ihel Foundation, Bar-Ilan University, "The Islamic State (IS or ISIS): Security Strategic Implications, the Middle East" (20,000 shekels)
- 2013-14 Submitted a research grant application to the Israel Science Foundation (ISF): "The Decline of the Arab Nation-State Libya as a Test Case"
- 2015-16 Submitted a new ISF grant application: "The Changing Mosaic of Illegal Arab and African Migration to Europe: Motivations, Borders and Challenges"

2017 The Ihel Foundation, "The Islamic State, Willayat Sinai and Shuhada al-Yarmuq: Implications on Israel's security"

11. Organization of scientific conferences (alone and together with colleagues)

- 1. "Muslims and Jews in Sudan: Perspective on the Twentieth Century," an international conference held at the Ben-Zvi Institute, Jerusalem on 24 February 2000.
- 2. "The Jews of Libya: Identity, Tradition and History," an international conference held in Bar-Ilan University on 20-21 March 2001.
- 3. "The Jews in the Ottoman Empire: Society and Community," an international conference held in Bar-Ilan University on 13-14 June 2001.
- 4. "The Jewish Woman in the East," a conference held at Bar-Ilan University on 6-7 March 2002.
- 5. "The Nile: Cultures, Identities and Memories," an international conference held at the Tel-Aviv University and the Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem in May 2003.
- 6. "The Liberation of Libya's Jews from the Fascist-Nazi Rule," a conference held at Bar-Ilan University in 2003.
- 7. "The Tunisian Jews: Legacy, Culture and Art," a conference held at Bar-Ilan University in 2003.
- 8. "Narrating the Nile Cultures, Identities, Memories," an international conference held at Tel Aviv University and the Open University on 28-31 May 2006.
- 9. "Four Decades since the End of the Jewish Diaspora in Libya," a world conference held at Bar-Ilan University on 7 June 2007.
- 10. "Jews of Ethiopia: Heritage, Society and History," a conference which held at Bar-Ilan University 26-27 May 2008. (In addition to my role as a member of the organizing committee, I also served as the head of the conference's academic committee).
- 11. "Four Decades of Qadhafi's Foreign Policy: Political and Strategic Perceptions" held at Tel Aviv University on 3 December 2009.
- 12. "Commemorating 60 Years of Aliya and Absorption of Libyan Jews in Israel: New Documents and Research Works" held at Bar-Ilan University, 12 October 2010.
- 13. "The Middle East in 2011: The Arab Spring Revolutions" held at Tel Aviv University on 27-28 March 2011.
- 14. "The Hebrew Education: From Libya to Jerusalem" held at Bar-Ilan University, The Dahan Center, on 26 December 2011.

- 15. "Algeria 50 years of Independence" held at Bar-Ilan University on 17 December 2012.
- 16. "40 years for the Yom Hakipurim [1973] War" held at Bar-Ilan University and Mikhlelet Kineret on 30-31 October 2013.

12. Other professional experience:

- 2004-2008 Member of the Academic Committee for the Dahan Center for Culture and Society in the Sephardic Heritage at Bar-Ilan University.
- Member of the committee for ranking the academic journals of the Political Studies Department, Bar-Ilan University.
- 2006-2007 Member of the Social Science Faculty committee for teaching under the Dean's chairmanship.
- 2006 Co-organizer of the Faculty of Social Science annual meeting.
- 2007 Co-Organizer of the Faculty of Social Science annual meeting.
- Member of the Political Studies Department committee for examining course offerings in the category of "Regional Studies" (Middle East and Africa).
- Member of the Vice-Rector Office Committee assigned to choose the award nominee for "Excellence in Teaching" at Bar-Ilan University.
- 2011 2014 Member of the steering committee of "The Middle East & Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI)".
- 2011-2015 Member of the board of "Common Sense," an academic publication by theS. Daniel Abraham Center for Strategic Dialogue, Netanya Academic College.
- 2012 2015 Member of the Permanent Academic Committee of the School of Graduate Studies, Bar-Ilan University
- 2012 2014 Co-organizer of the annual meeting for promoting research of the Faculty of Social Science, Office of the Dean.
- 2013-2015 Member of the Political Studies Department Committee for Teaching.
- Member of the Prize Committee for "the best books" (As requested by the head of the committee the field and the years are classified).
- 2005-2015 Numerous Chairmanship in panels in academic conferences in Israel and abroad

13. Courses taught:

B.A Students:

1. A Seminar: Challenges and Threats to the Cohesion of the Arab Nation-State

For M.A. and Ph.D. students:

- 1. The Geo-strategic Map of the Middle East and the African Sahel
- 2. Politics, Society and Ethnicity in the Middle East: Change and continuity
- 3. Radical Islam and Political Implications: Jihadist Terror and the "Islamic State"
- 4. Migration and global political and economic crisis: Illegal migration of Muslims to Europe

14. Main areas of scientific expertise:

- 1. Illegal Arab and African migration through the Mediterranean Sea to Europe
- 2. The decline of the Arab Nation-State: societies and regimes being in straits
- 3. Jihadist organizations in the African Maghreb and Sahel and the "Islamic State" in the Middle East
- 4. Jewish life in the Muslim world during colonial and post-colonial periods
- 15. Further information:

A. Membership in Professional Associations:

- 1. The Maghreb Society Association (London, Oxford)
- 2. The IAFOR Social Science Association (Osaka)
- 3. The Middle East & Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI, Jerusalem)
- 4. European Association of Israel Studies (SOAS, London)
- 5. Intermittent membership in top international academic associations: e.g., the renowned BRISMES, WOCMES, MESA, ISSEI, SSA and more.

B. Referee for Top International Journals on the ME: (A selected list)

- 2000-2014 Referee for tens of M.A. theses and mainly PhD dissertations from Bar-Ilan and non-Bar-Ilan universities in Israel in the area of Middle Eastern and African studies.
- 2006-08 Referee for the journal "Ethnic and Racial Studies."

- 2007-08 Referee for the journal "Civil Wars."
- 2008-2011 Evaluating many syllabus programs relevant to academic institutions, among them the Ashkelon, Tzfat and the Kineret colleges.
- 2011-2014 Referee for academic publications on the subject of Oriental and Sephardic Jewry, Bar-Ilan University Press.
- Referee for the journal *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, Centre of International Studies, The University of Cambridge.
- Referee for the Journal *International Studies Quarterly*, the official journal of the International Studies Association, the University of Indiana.
- 2013-2017 Referee for the *Mizrah Hehadash*, the first-class journal of the Middle East & Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI).
- ----- Referee for research proposals for the **ISF**, The Israeli Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Jerusalem and member of the ISF Foundation Committee for Grants on the Middle East, Jerusalem. (As requested by the ISF the years are classified).

C. Editing:

- Y. Ronen (1998). *The Maghreb: Politics, Society and Economics*. Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, The Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies.
- Y. Ronen (forthcoming in 2017). *Modern Kuwait: The Emergence of Parliamentarianism in Tribal Societies*. Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, 316 pp.

D. Special positions: in 2015-2017:

- 1. Israeli academic political science representative for the Foreign Ministry to lecture before the European Academy and European Union on migration, conflicts and the Islamic State" in the Arab world, especially in the Maghreb and Libya (a series of lectures and discussions in institutions abroad).
- 2. Member of the Scientific Academy of Hungary and participation in academic forums on its behalf.
- 3. Chaired a series of academic conferences.
- 4. Academic head of the special programs at Bar-Ilan colleges, Bar-Ilan university

List of Publications

Until the last promotion in 2016

A. Refereed Publications:

Books (as Author)

- 1. Y. Ronen (2008). *Qaddafi's Libya in World Politics*. Boulder, Colorado: Lynne Rienner Publication, 243 pp. + Index. (Nearly 650 books had been sold by the Publisher until the end of 2014).
- 2. Y. Ronen (1995). *Sudan in Civil War: Between Africanism, Arabism and Islam*. Tel-Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press and Hakibbutz Hameuchad, 142 pp. (In Hebrew).

Books (as Editor)

1. Y. Ronen (1998). *The Maghreb: Politics, Society and Economics*. Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, The Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, 96 pp. (In Hebrew).

Non-Academic Prose Books

1. Y. Ronen (2000). Carob Whiskey. Tel-Aviv: Am Oved Publishers, 250 pp.

The book won two prestigious prizes:

- A. "The AQ'UM Golden Feather" Award for "Outstanding Achievement in Hebrew Literature" (2000)
- B. "Yad Vashem" prize for Literature. (2001).

Chapters in Books

- 1. Y. Ronen (1987). "The Republic of Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. Itamar Rabinovich and Haim Shaked (Eds.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XI (pp. 613-631).
- 2. Y. Ronen (1987). "Libya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. Itamar Rabinovich and H. Shaked (Eds.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XI (pp. 555-572).
- 3. Y. Ronen (1988). "Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey.* I. Rabinovich and H. Shaked (Eds.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XII (pp. 574-598).
- 4. Y. Ronen (1988). "The Libyan *Jamahiriyya*" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. I. Rabinovich and H. Shaked (Eds.), Boulder, San Francisco & Boulder: Westview Press, Vol. XII (pp. 501-521).

- 5. H. Shaked & Y. Ronen (1988). "Simmering Tension between Libya and Egypt (1954-1986)" in *Conflict Management in the Middle East*. G. Ben Dor & D. B. Dewitt (Eds.), Lexington, Massachusetts and Toronto: Lexington Books (pp. 113-129).
- 6. H. Shaked & Y. Ronen (1988). "The Ethnic Factor in Sudanese Politics: South vs. North" in *Ethnicity, Pluralism and the States in the Middle East*. M. J. Esman and Itamar Rabinovich (Eds.), Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press (pp. 253-267).
- 7. Y. Ronen (1989). "A-Jamahiriyya al-Libiyya al-Shabiyya al-Ishtiraqiyya al-Uzma" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey.* Ami Ayalon and H. Shaked (Eds.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XIII (pp. 643-661).
- 8. Y. Ronen (1989). "The Republic of Sudan" in Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey. A. Ayalon and H. Shaked (Eds.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XIII (pp. 706-725).
- 9. Y. Ronen (1990). "Al-Jamahiriyya al-Arabiyya al-Libiyya al-Shabiyya al-Ishtirakiyya al-Uzma" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issue and Country by Country Survey*. A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol XIV (pp. 534-558).
- 10. Y. Ronen (1990). "Jumhuriyyat al-Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XIV (pp. 603-628).
- 11. Y. Ronen (1991). "Libya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XV (pp. 557-574).
- 12. Y. Ronen (1991). "Sudan: Domestic Affairs and Foreign Affairs" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey*: *Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XV (pp. 630-649).
- 13. Y. Ronen (1992). "Libya's Domestic and Foreign Affairs" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey.* A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XVI (pp. 577-594).
- 14. Y. Ronen (1992). "Sudan's Domestic and Foreign Affairs" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey.* A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XVI (pp. 641-663).
- 15. Y. Ronen (1993). "The Islamization in Sudan and Its Regional Implication" in *Islamic Radicalism: A Challenge to Regional Stability*. D. Menashri (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies (pp. 253-267). [in Hebrew].

- 16. Y. Ronen (1993). "Libya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XVII (pp. 533-556).
- 17. Y. Ronen (1993). "Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey*. A. Ayalon (Ed.), Boulder, San Francisco & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XVII (pp. 601-632).
- 18. Y. Ronen (1994). "Libya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey.* A. Ayalon and Bruce Maddy-Weitzman (Eds.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XVIII (pp. 495-518).
- 19. Y. Ronen (1994). "Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: Current Issues and Country by Country Survey.* A. Ayalon & B. Maddy-Weitzman (Eds.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XVIII (pp. 583-609).
- 20. Y. Ronen (1995). "Libya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1995-Perilous Rumblings*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XIX (pp. 471-491).
- 21. Y. Ronen (1995). "Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1995-Perilous Rumblings*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XIX (pp. 562-592).
- 22. Y. Ronen (1996). "Jumhuriyyat al-Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1996-Rude Awakening*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XX (pp. 603-629).
- 23. Y. Ronen (1996). "Al-Jamahiriyya al-Arabiyya al-Libbiyya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1996- Rude Awakening*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XX (pp. 510-531).
- 24. Y. Ronen (1997). "The Muslim Brotherhood in Sudan: From the Margins of Politics to the Leadership of the State" in *Islam and Democracy in the Arab World*. Meir Litvak (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University and Hakibbutz Hameuchad (pp. 180-201). [In Hebrew].
- 25. Y. Ronen (1997). "Libya: Internal & Eternal Affairs" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1997-Soft Coups for Hard Times*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XXI (pp. 543-559).
- 26. Y. Ronen (1997). "Sudan: Internal & External Affairs" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1997-Soft Coups for Hard Times*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XXI (pp. 627-646).

- 27. Y. Ronen (1998). "Libya: Leader and State at a Crossroads?" in *The Maghreb: Politics, Society and Economics*. Y. Ronen (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies (pp. 63-73). [In Hebrew].
- 28. Y. Ronen (1998). "Libya" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in Perspective*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XXII (pp. 435-450).
- 29. Y. Ronen (1998). "Jumhuriyyat Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in Perspective*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Boulder & Oxford: Westview Press, Vol. XXII (pp. 541-562).
- 30. Y. Ronen (1999). "Religion and Conflict: A non-Muslim Minority in a Muslim State" in *Minorities in the Middle East: Between Nationalism and Islam*. In O. Bengio & G. Ben Dor (Eds.), Boulder: Lynne Rienner Publishers (pp. 73-87)..
- 31. Y. Ronen (1999). "Al-Jamahiriyya al-Arabiyya al-Shabiyya al-Ishtirakiyya al-Uzma" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1999-Changing Guard.* B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, Vol. XXIII (pp. 406-423).
- 32. Y. Ronen (1999). "Jumhuriyyat al-Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 1999-Changing Guard*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, Vol. XXIII (pp. 526-547).
- 33. Y. Ronen (2000). "Al-Jamahiriyya al-Arabiyya al-Shabiyya al-Ishtirakiyya al-Uzma" in
- Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 2000-Things Come Undone. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, Vol. XXIV (pp.394-412).
- 34. Y. Ronen (2000). "Jumhuriyyat al-Sudan" in *Middle East Contemporary Survey: The Middle East in 2000-Things Come Undone*. B. Maddy-Weitzman (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University Press, Vol. XXIV (pp. 514-531).
- 35. Y. Ronen (2002). "Sudan, Libya and the Challenge of Islam: Image and Reality versus the West" in *In the Wake of September 11, Islam and the West Clash or Coexistence*. E. Webman (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel-Aviv University Press, The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies (pp. 81-92). [In Hebrew].
- 36. Y. Ronen (2005). "Muslim Society in Crisis: The Tide of Migration to Europe" in *Zones of Crisis and Conflict: The Middle East*. Y. Weintraub (Ed.), Tel Aviv: Tel Aviv University, The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies (pp. 107-118). [In Hebrew].
- 37.Y. Ronen (2005). "Muammar al-Qadhafi and Sayf al-Islam Father and Son at a *Historical Crossroads" in The Middle East: The Impact of Generational Change.* A.

- Susser (Ed.), Tel-Aviv: Tel-Aviv University, The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies (pp. 55-67).
- 38. Y. Ronen (2006). "Sudan's Violent Abyss: The Struggle for National Identity and Territorial Integrity" in *Challenges to the Cohesion of the Arab State*. A. Susser (Ed.), Tel Aviv: The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies, Tel Aviv University, The Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies (pp. 63-74).
- 39. Y. Ronen (2008). "The Islamic Immigration-Terrorism Nexus: Europe's Radical Imports" in *Global Terrorism and Europe: Perspectives to the Internationalization of Terror*. P. Nitschke (Ed.), Wiesbaden, Germany: Publishing House for Social Sciences, VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften (pp. 79-97). [In German]
- 40. Y. Ronen (2011). "Zionism and Judeo-Islamic Relations in the Middle East: Libya's Ideological and Political Position" in *The Divergence of Judaism and Islam: Interdependence, Modernity, and Political Turmoil.* Michael M. Laskier and Yaacov Lev (Eds.), Gainesville: University Press of Florida (pp. 306-327).
- 41. Y. Ronen (forthcoming). "The Influence of the Maghreb Arena on Tunisia's Position towards the Jews and the State of Israel" in *Tarshish The Legacy of Tunisian Jewry*. E. Hazan and H. Saadon (Eds.), Ramat Gan: Bar-Ilan University Press(pp. 1-16). [In Hebrew].

Articles in Refereed Journals:

- 1. Y. Ronen (1996). "Libya's Intervention in Amin's Uganda A Broken Spearhead." *Asian and African Studies* (Vol. 26), 2, pp. 173-184.
- 2. Y. Ronen (2001). "Disillusionment with Arab Solidarity Political Pragmatism in Libya's Relations with Egypt: 1992-99." *The Review of International Affairs*, (Vol. 1), 1, pp. 21-30.
- 3. Y. Ronen (2001). "Personalities and Politics: Qadhafi, Nasser, Sadat and Mubarak." *The Journal of North African Studies* (Vol. 6), 3, pp. 1-10.
- 4. Y. Ronen (2001). "Moroccan Immigration in the Mediterranean Region: Reflections in Ben Jelloun's Literary Works." *The Journal of North African Studies* (Vol. 6), 4, pp. 1-14.
- 5. Y. Ronen (2002). "The Lockerbie Endgame: Qadhafi Slips the Noose." *Middle East Quarterly* (Vol. 9), 1, pp. 53-59.
- 6. Y. Ronen (2002). "Sudan and the U.S: Is a Decade of Tension Winding Down?" *Middle East Policy* (Vol. IX), 1, pp. 94-108.

- 7. Y. Ronen (2002). "Qadhafi and Militant Islamism: Unprecedented Conflict." *Middle Eastern Studies* (Vol. 38), 3, pp. 1-16.
- 8. Y. Ronen (2002). "Ethiopia's Involvement in the Sudanese Civil War: Was it as Significant as Khartoum Claimed?" *Northeast African Studies* (Vol. 9), 1, pp. 103-126.
- 9. Y. Ronen (2002). "Libya's Diplomatic Success in Africa: The Reemergence on the International Stage." *Diplomacy and Statecraft* (Vol. 13), 4, pp. 60-74.
- 10. Y. Ronen (2003). "Egypt and Sudan: The Swing of the Pendulum (1989-2001)." *Middle Eastern Studies* (Vol. 39),3, pp. 81-98.
- 11. Y. Ronen (2004). "Libya's Qadhafi and the Israeli Palestinian Conflict, 1969-2002." *Middle Eastern Studies* (Vol. 40), 1, pp. 85-98.
- 12. Y. Ronen (2005). "Libya's Rising Star: Saif al-Islam and Succession." *Middle East Policy* (Vol. XII), 3, pp. 136-144.
- 13. Y. Ronen (2005). "Religions at War, Religions at Peace: The Case of Sudan." *Zeitschrift Fur Politik*, The Political Science Journal of the University of Munchen (Vol. 1), 1, pp. 80-96.
- 14. Y. Ronen (2006). "Libya's Conflict with Britain: An Analysis of a Diplomatic Rupture." *Middle Eastern Studies* (Vol. 42), 2, pp. 271-83.
- 15. Y. Ronen (2007). "Between the Mahdiyya and the Muslim Brotherhood: Continuity and Change in Islamic Radicalism in Sudan." *Journal of North African Studies* (Vol. 12), 1, pp. 1-18.
- 16. Y. Ronen (2007). "The HIV/AIDS Tragedy and the Bulgarian Medics' Affair: A Window on State and Society in Libya," *Middle Eastern Studies* (Vol. 43), 3, pp. 341-252.
- 17. Y. Ronen (2008). "The Sudanese-Egyptian-Libyan Triangle of Relations under the Shadow of Radical Islam." *Hamizrach Hehadash* (Vol. 47), pp. 216-236.
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- 3. "Sudan's Super-Ethnic Fabric," an internationally academic forum on *Sudan's Ethnic Conflict*, Durham University, UK, January1996.
- 4. "Religion and Politics in Sudan," an international conference *on Sudan's Civil War* at the University of Bergen, Norway, September1996.
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- 19. "Immigration and Yearning in Moroccan Literature," at the International Conference on *The Mediterranean Idea* held by the Center for Mediterranean Civilizations Project, Tel Aviv University in Mishkenot Sha'ananim, Jerusalem on 27-31 January 2001.
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- 21. "The Jews in the Ottoman Empire: Society and Community," *The Yishuv in Eretz Israel at the End of the Ottoman Period: Economics, Society and Relations with the Authorities* at the International Conference on, held in Bar-Ilan University on 13-14 June 2001 (I was a member of the academic committee organizing this conference).
- 22. "Sudan Libya and the Challenge of Islam," at the conference *Islam and the West*, held at Tel Aviv University on the 29 November 2001.

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- 36. "The Role and Impact of the Religious Factor in Sudan's Civil War (1955-2004)," an International Conference on *Religions at War, Religions at Peace*, held at Mishkenot Sha'ananim, Jerusalem, 21-23 March 2004.
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- 40. "Qadhafi and Sayf al-Islam: Father and Son at an Historical Junction?" A Conference on *The Middle East: Signs of Changing Generations*, Tel-Aviv University, 7 March 2005.
- 41. "Sudan's Mahdism: The Reflection of the De-Colonization War in the Film Khartoum," a conference *on Middle Eastern Politics Through the Prism of Films*, Tel-Aviv University, 8 April 2005.
- 42. "Genocide in Darfur, Sudan," a conference on *Genocide in Africa*, in the Open University of Israel, Ra'anana, 5 July 2005.
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- 44. "Bridging the Divisions? Islam and Judaism, Arabism and Zionism in Libya's Official Ideology," in International Conference at Bar-Ilan University, *Bridging the Worlds of Judaism and Islam*, 3-4 January 2006.
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- 46. "The Cry of the Owl: A Literary Voice along the Sudanese Nile," at an International Workshop, *Narrating the Nile Cultures, Identities, Memories*, at Tel-Aviv University and the Open University, 28-31 May 2006.
- 47. "Egypt and the Nile Valley," at a conference on *Egypt: Twenty-five years since Sadat's Assassination*, The Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies, Jerusalem, 4 October 2006.
- 48. "Migratory Waves across the Mediterranean Sea: Effects on Libyan State and Society," at an International Conference on *Old and New Migration in the Area of the Mediterranean: Tripoli as a Mirage*, at the University of Macerata, Italy, 24-25 November 2006.
 - 49. "African Immigration to Europe: Changing the Human Mosaic," a conference on *Religion, Nationalism and Minorities in Europe*, at Tel-Aviv University, 15 January 2007.
- 50. "The Oscillations in Qadhafi's Position towards Jews of Libyan Origin," a conference on *Libyan Jewry and 'Aliya' to Eretz Israel*, held on 7 June 2007 at Bar-Ilan University.
- 51. "Jewish-Muslim Co-Existence: Reflections in the Mirror of Literature," an International conference on *Jews and Muslims in the World of Islam*, held on 27-28 August 2007 at the University of Maryland, the US.
- 52. "Sudan in the Flames of War: Between Darfur and the South," a conference on *Violence in the World of Islam*, held on 29 October 2007 at Bar-Ilan University.
- 53. "The Darfur War: Political and Military Perspectives," a conference on *The Crisis in Darfur from and African, Israeli and Global Viewpoint*, held on 6 November 2007 at Tel-Aviv University.
- 54. "Windings of the Sudanese Support of the Peace Initiative: A Case Study of Political Survival in Turbulent Arab Arena," a conference on *The Sadat Visit 30 Years Later: Where from? Where To?* held at Tel-Aviv University. on 28-29 November 2007

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- 57. "A Study on Qadhafi's Perception of the West," a conference on *The Decline of the West: The Rise of Isla*m? The Moshe Dayan Center, Tel-Aviv University, held on 26 June 2008.
- 58. "Libya's Position in the Maghreb," an international conference on *The Contemporary Maghreb Political and Cultural Challenges*, Tel-Aviv University, held on 11 June 2008.
- 59. "Radical Islam and Turbulence in the Northeast Africa/Nile Valley Triangle," a conference entitled_Religion, Politics, Society in the State: Israel's Environment in a Comparative Perspective, The Argov Center and the Political Science Department, Bar-Ilan University, held on 8 January 2009.
- 60. "War and Peace in Sudan: Between Despair and Hope," a conference entitled *Civil Wars in the Middle East and Africa*, The Moshe Dayan Center, Tel-Aviv University, held on 19 March 2009.
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- 66. "Immigration from Africa and the Middle East to Europe: A Globalization of a Humanitarian Crisis," a symposium entitled *The Maghreb in the Mirror of the International Cinema*, held at Tel-Aviv University, 25 April 2010.
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- 70. "The Libyan Revolution: Challenges and Threats," an academic conference On *Religious Revolutions in the Middle East* held at Tel-Aviv University on 6 March 2011.
- 71. "The Thunder of the Revolution in Libya: Challenges and Threats," at a conference entitled *The Arab World: Revolutions in the footsteps of a "New Order"* held at Tel-Aviv University on 27-28 March 2011.
- 72. "A Triangle of Clandestine Diplomatic Success: The Airlift of Ethiopian Jews through Sudan to Israel," at an international conference entitled *From the Centre to the Periphery: Israel, Clandestine Diplomacy and the Modern Middle East* held at Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim, Norway, on 9-10 May 2011.
- 73. "'The Arab Spring' and 'the Libyan Winter': Qaddafi and the War," at a conference entitled *The Middle East in the Eye of the Storm: Trends and Challenges*_held at the Herzog Center for the Middle East and Diplomacy, Ben-Gurion University, Beer Shevaon 15 May 2011.
- 74. "Political Islam, Libya and the West: Challenges and Threats" at a conference on *Political Islamic Movements in the Middle East*_held at S. Daniel Abraham Center for Strategic Dialogue, Netanya Academic College, Netanya, on 30 May 2011.
- 75. "Regional Demographic Movements: Arab and African Migratory Waves to Europe," at The international conference entitled *Global Migration and Multiculturalism: Religion, Society, Policy and Politics* held at the Centre for Research on Nationalism, Ethnicity and Multiculturalism (CRONEM), Surrey University, Surrey UK on 28 June 2011.

- 76. "The Libyan Uprising and The Middle East 'Arab Spring'" at a conference on *The New Political-Religious Landscape of the Middle East* held at the Rabin Center, Tel Aviv, on 12 July 2011.
 - 77. "Updates on the Libyan War: Possible Future Scenarios" at a conference entitled *The Uprisings in the Arab World: Current Trends* held at Tel Aviv University by Michlelet HaGalil, hosting an International Academic forum of Professors on 20 July 2011.
 - 78. "The Sudanese and Libyan areas of Revolt: The Western Impact" at a round-table entitled *The 'Arab Spring' and its StrategicImplications* held at S. Daniel Abraham Center for Strategic Dialogue, Netanya Academic College, Netanya, held on 24 October 2011.
 - 79. "The Uprisings in the Arab World: A Real New Order?" at an international conference entitled *The Arab Spring and Projections for a "New" Middle East* held at Tibilsi University, Georgia held on 25-27 October 2011.
 - 80. "The 'Arab Spring' in Libya: Society and State in an Identity Crisis" at an international conference entitled *The Middle East in Transition*, held at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem on 10-11 January 2012.
 - 81. "The Crescent at the Western Frontier: The Maghreb and the 'Arab Spring'" at a conference entitled *The Empowerment of Islamism in Post-Qaddafi's Libya: Revolution within a Revolution?* held at Bar-Ilan University on 30 January 2012.
 - 82. "Libya after the Collapse of the Qaddafi's Regime," at a conference entitled *The Arab Spring: A Year After: Estimates and Conclusions* held at the Academic College, Galil Maaravi on 1-2 February 2012.
 - 83. "Political and Economic Dimensions in the Post-Revolution Maghreb," at the international conference held at Tel Aviv University together with ILIA State University, Georgia, entitled *The Arab Spring: Causes and Effects* at Tel-Aviv University, 28 March 2012.
 - 84. "Shifting Emphasis between Africa to the Arab world: An Issue in Libya's International Relations," at the conference entitled *Africa: Religion, Culture and Politics*, held at the Hebrew University, The Truman Institute, Jerusalem, on 30 April 2012.
 - 85. "Islamism in Post-Qaddafi Libya: The Map of Political-Religious Forces" at the Annual Conference of The Middle East & Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI) held at Bar-Ilan University on 7 June 2012.
 - 86. "Muslims and Jews Representations of Nationalism and Co-existence in Moroccan Historical Narratives," at the international conference *entitled Re-Thinking Humanities*

- and Social Science: The Politics of Memory, held in the University of Zadar, Croatia, 5-9 September 2012.
- 87. "Algeria and the Sahel: Security, Strategy and Islamic Radicalization," delivered at the conference entitled *50 Years of Algeria's Independence*, held at Bar-Ilan university on 17 December 2012.
- 88. "The Post-Revolution Libyan State," at the International Conference entitled *North Africa and the Arab Spring: an Interim Assessment*, held at Tel-Aviv University, 27-28 May 2013.
- 89. "Conflicting National Identities in Colonial Morocco: Between Arab Nationalism and Jewish Zionism," held at the international conference on *Colonial Heritage in the Middle East and the Maghreb: the Shaping of Hopes and Perspectives* held in Oxford University, 24-25 October 2013.
- 90. "Huntington's 'Clash of Civilizations' Hypothesis from a Perspective of 20 Years: Through the Prism of the 'Arab Spring'," held at the international conference in Vechta, Germany, 18-21 October 2013.
- 91. "The Collapse of the Libyan State Order" at the Abir conference entitled *Protest and Revolution in the ME: Historic View* held at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, on 25-26 March 2014.
- 92. "The Denial of the Holocaust in the Muslim Maghreb," at the conference entitled *The Denial of the Holocaust: The Palestinian Leadership and the Muslim World*, held at Bar-Ilan University, 13 April 2015.
- 93. "The Islamic State in Libya: An Analysis of Changing Geopolitics," at the conference entitled *The Islamic State in the Middle East: Local and Regional Implications*, held at Tel Aviv University, 10 June 2015.
- 94. "Uprooted, Refugees and Migration: Libya's Humanitarian Tragedy" at the conference *Refugees and Uprooted People in the Middle East Upheava*l, held at the Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv University, 15 December 2015.
- 95. "Civilians in the eye of the War Storm: Between the Libyan Hammer and the Islamic State Anvil" in the IDC, the Lauder School for Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, 13 March 2016.
- 96. "Libyan Politics: Tribal Images of Statelessness" at the conference *Yemen and Libya in a Comparative Dimension: Tribal and Ethnic Aspects* held at Tel Aviv University, 27 May 2016.

- 97. "The Libyan Upheaval in its seventh year: Reflections in the Mirror of Arab Literature" at the Dayan forum on the "Arab Spring" political collapse held at Tel Aviv University, 8 May 2017.
- 98. "The changing map of the Middle East Geopolitics: The EU and local-global Effects" at a conference The EU and International Relations, University of Vechta, Germany, 12 June 2017.

ACADEMIC PROFILE

I have thus far delivered nearly 100 papers at scientific conferences in Israel and abroad; published three academic books with the fourth forthcoming and the fifth in process of writing – all as sole author; published 88 papers in leading Israeli and international refereed academic journals and academic books, the **vast** majority of which I was the sole author; and organized and chaired about 40 academic conferences. I have also frequently represented my university in interviews and commentary articles in the Israeli and international media on subjects related to the Middle East and Africa, particularly regarding the Maghreb-Sahel environs and dealing with the Middle Eastern and African Jihadist Terror, including the "Islamic State" and the illegal migration to Europe. During this period, and along with my research, teaching and supervising assignments, I successively earned between 4.9-5 points out of 5 in the university's annual teaching surveys. I have also taken an active interest in additional administrative and academic aspects of the department, the faculty and the broader university sphere.

My research and investigations into Libya's Qaddafi and post-Qaddafi eras, as well as my scholarly publications on Sudan's politics, jihadist organizations and the Islamic State in Libya and their geostrategic and political environs, and Muslim migration to Europe have become central and well-known in the international academic research field. Most noteworthy among my publications are the book *Qaddafi's Libya in World Politics* (Lynne Rienner publication), which presents a unique and comprehensive map of Libya's foreign policy, tracing Tripoli's relations with the United States and the USSR during the Cold and post-Cold War eras; the dynamics of inter-Arab relations and of Qaddafi's leadership and conflicts in Africa. While conducting an in-depth analysis of

Libya's failures and successes on foreign scenes, the book also examines major junctures of domestic affairs. Also the book, *Sudan in Civil War: Between Africanism, Arabism and Islam*, which in 2016 is still the only book ever written in Hebrew on Sudan's contested national identities and armed conflicts, has become a basic study text in all departments of Middle Eastern and African studies in Israel's academic institutions, particularly those dealing with topics related to political, ethnic and tribal conflicts and to irredentism and separatism. The book was also translated into Arabic and gained broad circulation in the Arab academy. Also noteworthy, my edited book *The Maghreb: Politics, Society, Economy*, is still the only book ever written in Hebrew on the region's Arab and Berber societies and political and economic challenges during the 1990s. My fourth book (as editor), *Modern Kuwait: The Emergence of Parliamentiarism: Tribal Societies*, is forthcoming in 2016, expectedly offering an important contribution to the book shelf on the Middle East in general and the Gulf area in particular.

Noteworthy also are my numerous articles, among the most recent of which are the following: "The Islamic State's War in Libya: Redrawing Libya's Geopolitical Map and Geostrategic Environs" (accepted for publication in Diplomacy & Statecraft); "Radical Islam versus the Nation-State: Violent Conflicts in Northeast Africa and the Nile Valley," in Religion, Politics, Society, and the State, Jonathan Fox ed., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012), pp. 131-145; "Israel's Clandestine Diplomacy with Sudan: Two Rounds of Extraordinary Collaboration," in Israel's Clandestine Diplomacies, Clive Jones and Tore T. Petersen eds., (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013), pp. 153-168; "Britain's Return to Libya: From the Battle of al-Alamein in the Western Libyan Desert to the Military Intervention in the 'Arab Spring' Upheaval," Middle Eastern Studies, Vol. 49, No. 5, September 2013, pp. 675-695; "Libya, the Tuareg and Mali on the Eve of the 'Arab Spring' and in its Aftermath: An Anatomy of Changed Geo-political Constellation," *The Journal of North African Studies*, Vol.18, No. 4, September 2013, pp. 544-559; The Effects of the 'Arab Spring' on Israel's Geo-Strategic and Security Environment: The Escalating Jihadist Terror in the Sinai Peninsula," Israel Affairs, Vol. 20, No. 3, July 2014 and many others (for the full list see above).

In the context of my academic research, I have carved out a special and even ground-breaking niche for myself in the Israeli and international scholarly communities, acquiring expertise and a reputation in the context of the political, religious, ethnic, tribal and socio-economic processes, along with geostrategic and military aspects and international relations in the broader Middle East and particularly in the Arab-Maghreb and its African Sahel environment. More specifically, my studies place a special emphasis on Libya, the two Sudanese states, Ethiopia, Tunisia, Algeria, Mali, Nigeria, and the collapsed state order and increasingly violent conflicts in the region and its broader Arab and African environs in the pre- and post-"Arab Spring" uprisings; the aggrandizement of the global Jihadist community and the "Islamic State" and their burgeoning political and military power in the Middle East and the African Sahel as well as the Gaza Strip and the Sinai Peninsula; and the erosion in the status of the Arab nationstate. I am deeply involved in the research of these subjects, which have dramatically soared to the top of the political-religious and security-military agenda of the Middle Eastern states and their geopolitical African-Sahelian expanses, as well as to the top of the massive migratory movement from these regions to Europe, taking on special relevance in wake of the uprisings in 2010-2015, spilling over into 2016 too.

This multi-faceted research takes an in-depth look at the issues that are crucial to the understanding of the abovementioned interrelated processes, and often explores them by means of the Libyan test case, which lies at the heart of my academic research project. While the Libyan case is indeed unique, there are numerous analogies that can be drawn between Libya and its society, on the one hand, and other states like Iraq, Syria and Yemen, let alone Mali, Niger, Algeria and others in the environs of the Maghreb-Sahel and the broader Middle East. This is also important part of my academic expertise.

That which in the first half of the second decade of the 2000s clearly appeared to be a process of decline of the Arab nation-state, plausibly moving towards the disintegration of the state framework as we know it, although it may not necessarily be a determinist process, is a top issue on my research agenda for 2016. One sub-topic that I explore is whether it is possible to identify another framework, or forerunners of one or more such frameworks, that can serve as an effective alternative to the current Arab and

other Muslim nation-state framework should it collapse, even as it continues to sustain some of its features.

In view of the fact that one of the principal challenges or threats to the status of the Arab nation-state in the early 21st century is militant Islamist power – and especially its increasing jihadist elements, which aspire to establish an Islamic caliphate in the style of Islam's glory days on the ruins of the nation-state – my study aims at presenting new details and observations regarding this complex issue. The area of the proposed discussion suffers from a striking paucity of academic research and my study sheds light on and offers analysis of one of the lesser-known chapters in the contemporary Middle East and violently chaotic post-Qaddafi Libya and its geostrategic regional and international environs. Having already received several grants and awaiting others, I hope with my research to make an original and innovative contribution, whose conclusions may be applied to Libya and other states and societies in the Middle East and its Maghreb-Sahel regions, as well as to various policy-making forums on the Israeli and international scene in the second decade of the 21st century.